

Appl. No. 10/527,010
Amendment Dated May 6, 2008
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REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed February 11, 2008, the Examiner rejected claims 1,4,5,7, 13-15, and 17-20 as being anticipated by Worley (US 2003/0054141).

In this Amendment, Applicant has cancelled claims 13-16. Applicant has amended the preambles of dependent claims 2-7, 9-12 and 17-21 to replace "A" with "The" in view of antecedent basis for the recited non-woven protective garment.

Applicant has also amended independent claim 1 to recite that an adhesive is used to bond several layers of a composite barrier fabric having enhanced reversible thermal properties. This amendment has support at, for example, page 9 of the original specification. Finally, Applicant has added claim 22 to recite that the adhesive, in some embodiments, is a thermoplastic polymeric adhesive.

No new matter has been added.

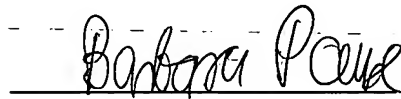
Worley et al. discloses a coated article having enhanced reversible thermal properties. The coating bonds to the article without application of any adhesive. In contrast, Applicant's claims as amended recite use of an adhesive to bond

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several layers of a composite barrier fabric having enhanced reversible thermal properties.

The claims as amended are now believed to be in condition for allowance and early action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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